

THE C. M. L. SOCIETY.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE BODY YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Letters Received From Gen. Dabney H. Maury and Mrs. J. A. Hayes. Many Replies Received.

The meeting of the Confederate Memorial Literary Society at the Confederate Museum yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock was of an unusually interesting character, and a large amount of important business was transacted.

GENERAL MAURY'S LETTER.

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NEW TWO-THIRDS

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O'Donnell, of Colorado; McLaurin, of Mississippi; Blake, of Texas; Ulrich Sloan, Ed. A. Warfield, and Smith Wood, to report to the full committee at 3 P. M.

BUSINESS DELAYED

The convention assembled at 5:15 with a full complement of delegates. Senator Daniel, of Virginia, was in the chair as temporary chairman. The seats assigned to the New York delegation were, however, an exception to the general rule, very few of the members of that delegation being present.

At half-past 5 an order went forth, through the sergeant-at-arms, that the Committee on Permanent Organization withdraw to their committee rooms.

At 5:40 P. M. Senator Hill, followed by many members of the New York delegation, came into the hall, and was immediately recognized and greeted with cheers and shouts of "Hill! Hill!"

In an aisle close to the New York section there was at this time a group of distinguished politicians in an apparently earnest and anxious colloquy.

At 5:50 P. M. the Committee on Credentials presented its completed report, admitting to seats in the coming delegation the Fourth and Ninth congressional districts of Michigan.

The effect is to transform the delegation to a silver delegation by 15 to 10, and as the unit rule prevails, it gives Michigan a two-thirds silver majority.

A minority report was presented in favor of allowing the delegation to remain as it was on the temporary roll.

Debate on the reports was at once begun.

Mr. Breckinridge, of Wisconsin, advocated the adoption of the minority report, and said he feared the effect of the adoption of the majority report upon the country.

His entered into the details of the facts involved in the contest, and said the report in this case, if adopted, would result in the election of a majority in the first flush of success might go into a sovereign State and upset the action of a legal convention.

He charged that the contest originated only three or four weeks ago. He had sought to add to the interest and beauty of the only home I remember as a child, and the stormy years that followed our home-life in Richmond makes the memory a very tender one to me.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Responses have been received from the following representatives of the various departments accepting the invitation extended them by the society to become honorary members:

- General Wade Hampton, Department of the East. General Stephen D. Lee, Centre Department. General W. L. Cabell, Trans-Mississippi Department. General John C. Underwood, Department of the North. General T. A. Brander, Department of Virginia. General W. L. De Russat, Department of North Carolina. General C. I. Walker, Department of South Carolina. General Clement A. Evans, Department of Georgia. General J. J. Tickinson, Department of Florida. General Fred. S. Ferguson, Department of Alabama. General E. M. Bean, Department of Western Texas. General William Bush, Department of Western Texas. General R. Cobb, Department of North-western Texas. General Vincent, Department of Louisiana. General John G. Fletcher, Department of Arkansas. General A. L. Thomas, Department of Oklahoma. General W. H. Jackson, Department of Tennessee. General John Boyd, Department of Kentucky. General J. O. Shelby, Department of Missouri. Colonel A. G. Dickinson, of New York, wrote declining to receive an honorary membership, and giving as his reason, that he is a Confederate Veteran.

RECEIPTS FROM SOUVENIRS.

The House Regent, Miss Maury, presented a report showing that the amount received from the sale of souvenirs and fees paid by the audience since May 20th, is \$32.

Mrs. H. Theodora Elyson, chairman of the Souvenir Committee, reported that work taken from the old mansion which was remodelled had been sent to the Miller Manual School, to Major B. W. Lynn, and to J. L. Philpitt, at Monticello's ash and billiard factory to be made into souvenirs.

The receipts from this source were \$72.30. The ladies still have on hand for sale a number of cases, brackets, and buttons.

It was decided to allow the House Regent to take her vacation about the middle of August, but on account of the illness manifested in this museum, she will not be closed at all this summer, a substitute taking Miss Maury's place.

A report was submitted showing that many express boxes and packages of relics had been received, most of them for the Missouri room.

RELIGIOUS DONATED.

R. St. Joseph Bakery, of 162 North Twenty-eighth street, donated two ham-burgs, made from a ham cut from the museum in the Confederate Museum by a Federal soldier and given to his chaplain, Father O'Keefe.

Also for the Virginia room curtains used by Mr. Davis during his residence here.

A picture of General R. E. Lee was received from Mrs. T. D. Myers, and the corresponding secretary read a letter which she had received from Captain J. J. M. Smith, of Barret, Tex., lamenting that he had been unable to attend the reunion.

Some minor routine business, the society adjourned.

OBITUARY.

Mr. John R. Magee.

Mr. John R. Magee, late in the employ of Messrs. C. W. Thayer & Co., died at Evergreen, Appomattox county, Tuesday night, July 7th.

Mr. Magee has recently had two severe spells of sickness, but apparently almost entirely recovered. He left Richmond for a few weeks' stay at Evergreen, thinking the change would be beneficial.

At his death he appeared to improve, but on June 29th he was taken suddenly worse, and lingered until Tuesday night, when he passed away.

Mr. Magee was greatly esteemed by a large circle of friends. He was a cotenant member of the Church, and for several years was greatly interested in the Young Men's Christian Association work.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, No. 2859 east Marshall street, this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The interment will be in Hollywood.

Miss Alice Henderson, of Alexandria, and Misses Rosa Belle Parkins and Mary Lewis McCue, of Augusta county, are visiting the Misses Simpson, 513 west Clay street.

THE OUTRAGES PERPETRATED ON THE DELEGATES OF MICHIGAN.

He asserted that the State of Michigan elected a majority of 20 to their convention in favor of the two-thirds silver majority. In Washington found this out Mr. Stevenson was sent to Washington to assert the will of the people.

THE LIE GIVEN.

"There is not one word of truth in all that," said Mr. Richardson, from his seat.

As Mr. McKnight proceeded further with his statement of alleged facts, Mr. Woodcock, one of the delegates-at-large, seated in the front row, immediately facing the speaker, said, in an audible voice:

"That's a lie."

No notice was taken of this interruption.

Mr. Blake said that if the majority report was adopted the Democrats would carry Michigan by at least 25 to 1.

Mr. Brucker, of Michigan, declared that he had always been a free-silver man, and that there were enough silver delegates in the convention to nominate a President by the two-thirds majority, without the necessity of committing highway robbery.

Mr. C. S. Thomas, of Colorado, a member of the National Committee, next took the stand, but the audience was becoming impatient and raised loud cries of "Vote."

He held it would be a mistake to elect a Democratic President by overturning the expressed will of a sovereign State. He warned them that they could not afford to strike down the State of Michigan simply for the purpose of obtaining a two-thirds majority.

Mr. Powers, of Utah, a member of the Committee on Credentials, argued in support of the majority report.

State Senator Thomas F. Grady, of New York, spoke against the majority report.

The discussion was closed by two more speeches, one by Mr. Woodcock, and the other by Mr. O'Donnell, of Colorado.

Little or no attention, however, was paid to the speech of Mr. O'Donnell, as the galleries were quite turbulent and could not be kept in order.

The convention itself, as well as the spectators in the galleries, were in a hurry to come to a vote, and Mr. O'Donnell insisted that they move the previous question on the report.

The previous question was seconded. The vote was then taken on the minority substitute of the Credentials Committee, which retains the sitting (gold) members from the Fourth and Ninth Michigan districts their seats.

TUMULTUOUS SCENES.

When New York's 72 votes were announced again in favor of the minority report a tumultuous wave of cheering broke over the assembly.

The first efforts of the chairman to suppress the manifestations were fruitless, and he was met by a counter demonstration on the part of the gold delegates, who, rising and turning their backs to the chairman and their faces to the immense crowds in the galleries, waved hats and handkerchiefs, sang, whistled and gesticulated.

The galleries, evidently strongly anti-silver in sentiment, were not slow to respond, and unceasing sounds from 15,000 throats filled the vast space of the great hall.

The Tammany yell was plainly heard in every temporary hall. The band tried in vain to compete with the babel of noise.

Every rap of the chairman's gavel only seemed to start it again, as it began to quiet down. Still the cheering continued, and the silver men began to hiss and stamp their feet and this made matters infinitely worse.

Senator Blake's powerful voice, much worn by its service in the past, called the next State, "North Carolina."

"North Carolina declines to vote until she can be heard," replied the chairman of the delegation.

State Chairman Hinckley, ex-Major Hugh Grant and other prominent New Yorkers vainly tried to stop the demonstration. It went on uninterrupted for fifteen minutes, and was barely silenced when the roll call was resumed.

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An attempt was made to renew the demonstration, but it died away as a result of the shouts and delegates being almost tired out.

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